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data on the Signal Regiment in Tirana and brief information on the Party organization of the village of Flog and morale of the people in Flog.

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POLITICAL - ECONOMIC INFO.

1.- PARAMILITARY ORGANIZATIONS.

a) Armed villagers in FLOQ.

Haki Salih ELEZI

Nevruz Hamit HASANKOLLI

Nevruz Toskallari OGRENI

Ali Muharem DIKOLLI

Nevruz Eshref ELEZI

Rushen Eshref "

Raqib Ali "

3.- EDUCATION.

a) Primary school of FLOQ.

There is a 4-year primary school in FLOQ with about 70 students and three teachers. Education is free of charge and compulsory.

4.- RELIGION.

There are two religions in village FLOQ, Moslem and Christian. All but 5 to 10 families are Moslem, and free to exercise their religious duties. The Moslems have a mosque and a hoxha (Moslem priest), and the Christians a church and a priest.

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5.- ORGANIZATION & ADMIN. OF THE C.P.a) Organization in village FLOQ.I) People's Council.

Chairman : Nevruz Eshref ELEZI.

Secretary : Nuri Hamit NEVRUZ.

Members : Pelumb Hysen ALEZI.

Nevruz Hamit NIKOLLI.

II) Organizata Baze (Local C.P.)

Secretary : Rushen Eshref ELEZI.

Members : Nevruz Hamit HASANKOLLI - Nevruz Toskallari OGRENI

Ali Muharem DOKOLLI - Nevruz Eshref ELEZI - Raqib Ali ELEZI.

III) Democratic Front Organization .

Chief : Nevruz Hamit DIKOLLI.

Members : All the inhabitants of FKOQ but 4 families which are considered
by the regime as Kulaks and enemies of the people.

IV) People's Commissar.

Haki Salih ELEZI.

6.- MORALE OF THE PEOPLE.

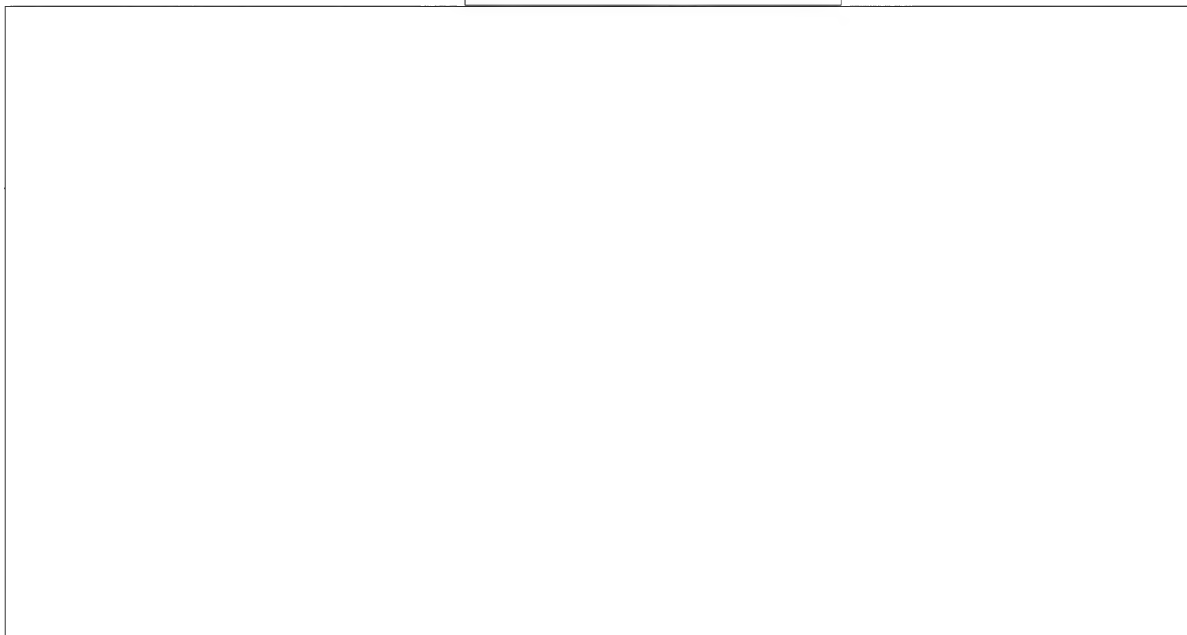
The morale of the nationalist inhabitants of village FLOQ is very low ,
and are all in a desperate position and in a state of indignation.

This is a result of indifference and bad treatment from the part of
the regime in Albania today. This state of things make them wish for
war which they believe is the only way to get rid of the present regime.

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8.- FARMING.

a) Village FLOQ.

All but 30 families of FLOQ are members of the cooperative which was imposed in the village during 1957.

Chief crops are : wheat, corn , barley, beans, sugar beets and very little stock-farming. Doesn't know quantities produced.

those who are not members of the cooperative live better than those who are. 25X1

Pressure is exercised upon non members to join the cooperative with the threat that their arable lands will be confiscated etc.

9.- INFO. ON TOWNS & VILLAGES.

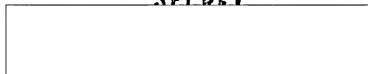
a) Village FLOQ.

Floq has about 150 houses and approximately 750 - 800 inhabitants.

About 50 families are Christian and the rest Moslem.

There is no telephone in the village. It is lighted with kerosene lamps and water they get from natural sources or fountains.

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MILITARY INFO.A R M Y.1) Order of Battle.a) Signal Regiment of TIRANA.I) Location.

the Signal Regiment was sheltered together with the Engineers' Regiment in the barracks located in the area called RRAPI TRESHIT, which is on the north-east part of TIRANA, about 500-1000 meters (unable to determine exactly) out of the city on the south side of the road leading to mountain DAJTI.

II) Equipment.

Russian type rifles of 7,62 mm. M. 1891/30 .

Pistols, of Russian, German and Czechoslovakian make, type unknown.

Unable to estimate the number of rifles and pistols .

III) Means of Transportation.

2 Jeeps of RUSSIAN make.

3 Body closed vehicles for Radio sets (type unknown).

2 Trucks, unknown make and type.

6 Motorcycles out of which three were with side-car.

4 Four-wheel carts.

8 Mules and 3 horses.

IV) Strength.

The strength of the Signal Regiment is estimated [] to be about 400 - 440 officers and enlisted men.

V) Training - Organization - Mission.

The Signal Regiment is continually occupied with training.

It has its headquarters, one battalion of telephone operators, one battalion []

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Training - Organization - Mission (continued)

of radio operators of the rear echelon service. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] the Regiment didn't have a N.C.O.'s training battalion.

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In peace time the mission of this Regiment is the training of enlisted men of the Signal service. Mission of the Regiment in war time unknown.

VI) Organization of the headquarters of the Regiment.

Chief of staff : Captain A! Rako GERMANI.

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Commissar : " B! Petrit NEBIU.

Three other officers of unknown rank and name. [REDACTED]

b)- Telephone Operators Battalion of the Signal Regiment of TIRANA.I) Location.

Stationed in the barracks of the Signal Regiment.

II) Equipment.

The battalion is equipped with Russian type rifles of 7,62 mm. 1891/30.

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And pistols of different make such as: German Russian etc. of unknown type.

[REDACTED] estimates the number of rifles to be about 120 and that of the pistols 15.

III) Transportation means.

The battalion hasn't got its own means of transportation and is using those of the Signal Regiment.

IV) Strength.

The strength is estimated 110 to 120 privates and about 15 officers.

V) Organization - Mission.

The battalion has its headquarters, 2 Coys of telephone operators and one Coy for setting up telephone cables.

Its mission is to train privates as telephone operators and for setting up telephone lines.

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Its mission during war time unknown [REDACTED]

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VI) Admin. of the Battalion.- Head-quarters.

Commander : Lt. Enver ZEKO.

Commissar : Second Lt. Maksut MUCO.

Adjutant : Lt. (name unknown).

- Organization of the 2nd Coy.

The 2nd Coy. of the telephone operators battalion

had 4 sections of 11 men each, and 3 officers (rank unknown).

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- Organization of the 1st and 3rd Coy.

They were both of the same organization and strength as that of the

2nd Coy. the 3rd Coy was for installing telephone cables

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and was often absent from the barracks for a long time .

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c)- Radio Operators Battalion of the Signal Regiment of TIRANA.I) Location.

Stationed together with the Telephone operators Battalion in the barracks
of the Signal Regiment.

II) Equipment.

130 - 135 rifles, Russian type of 7,62 mm. M. 1891/30

15 pistols of various types, German and Russian etc.

III) Transportation means.

3 body-closed vehicles of unknown type.

IV) Strength.

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It is estimated to 130-135 privates and about 12-15 officers.

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Radio Operators Battalion (continued)

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V) Training - Mission - Organization.

[redacted] estimate that the Battalion
has 3 Coys. 25X1

3.- Army Post Office

UNIT	Town or village	Date
Signal Regiment	TIRANA	November 1951 - December 1953.

4.- Training.

The recruits of the telephone operators battalion of the Signal Regiment of TIRANA are trained [redacted] during the first month in rank and file exercises with and without arms. During the second month in the use of rifles and shooting exercises. And during the rest of the time of their tour of service in using telephones, setting up telephone cables and switchboards.

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Unable to give further details.

5.- Telecommunication equipment.

The battalion is using 12 telephone apparatus all German make, and 4 telephone switchboards (make and type unknown), [redacted] one out of these switchboards was for connecting 20 numbers and the other 3 for 10 numbers.

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The telephone cables used were Russian make, type quality etc, unknown.

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6.- Military installations.

a). Barracks of the Signal Regiment of TIRANA.

The barracks of the Signal Regiment of TIRANA are located on the north-east part of TIRANA at about 500 - 1000 meters distance from the city on the south side of the road leading to mountain DAJTI.

They are composed of 9 buildings in all. The headquarters are sheltered in a brick-built one-story building covered with tiles the dimensions of which are estimated to be 20x5x8 meters. The others are of same construction ground-level buildings of about similar dimensions, 15x6x5 meters.

The area covered by the barracks is estimated to 200 meters wide and 300 meters long. It is surrounded by a 2-meter high wall on top of which there is a barbed wire fence of about one meter high.

Electricity and water is conducted to the barracks from TIRANA.

There is a gate on the north side of the barracks which is guarded day and night by one Sgt. and three privates. There are no other security measures during day time. 2 - 3 men are patrolling during the night outside and inside the barracks.

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